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PUBLIC NOTICE

There will be a Regular Meeting of the Chelsea School Committee on

Thursday, March 3, 2022

At 7:00 p.m.

The meeting is **closed** to observe social distancing guidelines. The meeting will be live streamed for the public at:

Chelsea Cable TV, and

https://www.facebook.com/ChelseaPublicSchools/

Agenda is available online at the Chelsea Public Schools website:

https://www.chelseaschools.com/

Anyone wishing to speak during the public comment period can email superintendent@chelseaschools.com to receive the Zoom Link and instructions. You can also choose to have your comment read by sending your comment to the same email. Public Comments can in addition be telephoned in and will be read into the record at 617-466-4456.

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School Committee

There will be a regular meeting of the Chelsea School Committee on Thursday, March 3, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. to discuss and take action on the items in the following agenda. The meeting is **closed** in order to observe social distancing guidelines. The meeting will be livestreamed for the public at Chelsea cable TV and, https://www.facebook.com/ChelseaPublicSchools/

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. School Committee Minutes: Approval of the minutes of the Organizational Meeting and the Regular Meetings on February 3, 2022 and Special Meeting on February 7, 2022. (Enclosure A)
- **4. Public Comment:** Anyone wishing to speak during the public comment period can email superintendent@chelseaschools.com to receive the Zoom Link and instructions. You can choose to have your comment read by sending your comment to the same email. Public Comments can also be telephoned in and will be read into the record at 617-466-4456.
- 5. Presentations:
- 6. Report of the Superintendent of Schools:

Student Achievement: Indicators of Success to be emailed the day of the meeting.

COVID Update: Update on Masking for School Year 2021-2022

Student Representative Update:

Personnel Update: (Enclosure B)

Enrollment-Reports: (Enclosure-C)

Committee Reports: Budget & Finance (Enclosure D)

Policy & Procedures (Enclosure E)

7. Unfinished Business: None

8. New Business:

• Consideration and Action to accept to transfer \$1.1 million from Benefits & Payroll Adjustments to Facilities and Transportation. *Item* #: 22SC45 (Enclosure F)

<u>Explanation:</u> Savings are available in Benefits & Payroll Adjustments due to reduced spending for Retiree Health Insurance and in the salary contingency line now that all bargaining agreements have been approved. Funds will be transferred to Facilities and Transportation for an array of expenses.

• Consideration and action to amend the Non-Bargaining Salary & Wage Schedules for 2021-2022 for Salaried Positions. *Item* #: 22SC46 (Enclosure G)

<u>Explanation</u>: Now that all bargaining agreements have been settled, staff recommend that the pay structure for non-union staff be modified to remain competitive when seeking new hires into non-union positions and prevent "compaction" between positions where supervisor and employee pay is too close together. Changes to nearly all ranges are proposed. Additional changes are proposed for a few specific position titles.

• Consideration and action to accept a gift of \$200 for the Intergenerational Literacy Program through Chelsea Education Foundation. *Item* #: 22SC47 (Enclosure H)

Explanation: The ILP has received a generous donation from Mr. Emilio Guzman.

Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 71, Section 37A provides for the acceptance of gifts for educational purposes only with the approval of the Chelsea School Committee.

• Discussion of Mask Requirement and vote to lift the requirement effective March 14, 2022. *Item* #: 22SC48

Explanation: A vote from the Chelsea School Committee is required in order to go through with the recommendation of the Superintendent to lift the mask requirement for all students and staff, vaccinated or unvaccinated, when indoors and on school buses. Effective March 14th, masks will be optional in school buildings and on buses. The exception to this would be: any person that is returning from a positive COVID-19 diagnosis after day 5 that is required to wear a mask or any person visiting our school health offices.

9. Communications: None

10. Announcements:

11. Adjournment: